1 BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 2 CARL J. KUNASEK **CHAIRMAN** 3 JIM IRVIN **COMMISSIONER** 4 WILLIAM A. MUNDELL COMMISSIONER 5 In the matter of 6 DOCKET NO. S-03322A-99-0000 Norman L. Paulsrud 7 13326 North Manzanita Lane DECISION NO. Fountain Hills, Arizona 85268 8 (CRD No. 864918) ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST AND Respondent. CONSENT TO SAME 9 I. 10 11 INTRODUCTION Norman L. Paulsrud ("Paulsrud") elects to permanently waive his right to a hearing and appeal 12 under Articles 11 and 12 of the Securities Act of Arizona (the "Act") with respect to this Order to 13 14 Cease and Desist ("Order"); admits the jurisdiction of the Arizona Corporation Commission 15 ("Commission"); neither admits nor denies the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained in 16 this Order; and consents to the entry of this Order by the Commission. II. 17 FINDINGS OF FACT 18 1. From October 1974 through December 1998, Paulsrud was associated with John 19 Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company ("JHMLIC") as an insurance marketing representative. 20 2. From July 1995 through December 1998, while associated with JHMLIC, Paulsrud, 21 CRD No. 864918, was also a securities sales representative registered in Arizona in association with 22 John Hancock Distributors, Inc./Signator Investors Inc. ("JHDI/SII"), B/D CRD No. 468 (JHMLIC 23 and JHDI/SII are hereinafter collectively referred to as "John Hancock"). 24 25 26

- According to John Hancock's Form U-5 filing, Paulsrud was terminated in December of
 1998 for unauthorized placement of business with another company in violation of John Hancock's policy.
- 4. On November 5, 1998, the Arizona Corporation Commission, Securities Division ("Division"), received a complaint alleging that in August 1997, Paulsrud sold a John Hancock High Yield Bond Fund ("HYB Fund") to an investor for whom said investment was not suitable in light of the investor's age, income, limited financial resources and investment experience.
- 5. This investor was an 80 year old retired widow. According to her Client Profile, she had an estimated annual income of \$10,000. Her investment experience was limited to certificates of deposit. Her investment objective was current income.
- 6. Paulsrud transported the investor to her bank where she liquidated her certificate of deposit and received a cashier's check for \$44,612.05. She then invested the money into the HYB Fund. In liquidating her certificate of deposit, she incurred an early withdrawal penalty.
- 7. The HYB Fund is one of six different income funds offered by John Hancock. The HYB Fund is the fund with the highest risk and greatest reward potential. The HYB Fund typically invests at least 65% of its assets in lower rated, higher-yielding corporate bonds. These types of bonds are below investment grade, i.e., "junk bonds".
- 8. In connection with the above complaint, John Hancock rescinded the purchase, allowed the investor to retain the distributions she received while she held the investment and reimbursed her the early withdrawal penalty she paid when she liquidated her certificate of deposit to purchase the HYB Fund.

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III. 1 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW** 2 1. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to the Act, A.R.S. §§44-3 1801 et seq., and Article XV of the Arizona Constitution. 4 5 Paulsrud's sale of the HYB Fund to this investor constitutes conduct pursuant to A.A.C. R14-4-130(A)(4). 6 7 IV. 8 **ORDER** 9 THEREFORE, on the basis of the Findings and Conclusions above, and in consideration of 10 Paulsrud's consent, the Commission issues the following Order. IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to A.R.S. §44-2032, that Paulsrud CEASE and DESIST 1. 11 from violations of the Act. 12 2. IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to A.R.S. §44-2036, that Paulsrud pay an administrative 13 penalty in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$5,000.00) by cashier's check or 14 certified funds. Paulsrud shall pay \$1,000.00 upon entry of this Order with the balance of \$4,000.00 15 payable at the rate of \$1,000.00 per month for four (4) months beginning 30 days from the date of 16 entry of this Order. 17 18 . . . 19 20 21 22 . . . 23 . . . 24 25 26

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CONSENT BY NORMAN L. PAULSRUD

TO THE ENTRY BY THE CORPORATION COMMISSION

OF AN ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST AND WAIVER OF HEARING

- 1. Respondent, Norman L. Paulsrud, an individual, admits the jurisdiction of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") over the subject matter of this proceeding, and solely, with respect to this matter, knowingly and voluntarily waives any and all rights to a hearing before the Commission and all other procedures otherwise available under the Securities Act of Arizona, A.R.S. §§44-1801 *et seq.* (the "Act"), and the Arizona Administrative Code. Paulsrud acknowledges that the accompanying Order To Cease and Desist and Consent to Same ("Order") constitutes a valid final order duly rendered by the Commission.
- 2. Paulsrud knowingly and voluntarily waives any right he may have under Article 12 of the Act to judicial review by any court by way of suit, appeal or extraordinary relief resulting from the entry of this Order.
- 3. Paulsrud acknowledges and agrees that this Order is entered into freely and voluntarily and that no promise was made or coercion used to induce Paulsrud to enter into it.
- 4. Paulsrud acknowledges that he has been represented by counsel in this matter, he has reviewed this Order with his attorney and understands all terms and obligations contained herein.
- 5. Paulsrud consents to the entry of this Order and agrees to be fully bound by its terms and conditions. Paulsrud further acknowledges that should he fail to comply with any and all provisions of this Order, the Commission may impose additional sanctions and costs and seek other appropriate relief subject to Paulsrud's right to a hearing pursuant to the Act.
- 6. Paulsrud acknowledges that this Order resolves only alleged administrative violations of the Act and that nothing contained in the Order purports to resolve any other issues which may exist between Paulsrud and the State. Nothing in the Order shall be construed to restrict the State's right in a future proceeding to bring an action against Paulsrud from or related to facts not set forth in the Order.